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INFO AMEMBASSY MADRID

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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: MARR, SP, PO, XF
SUBJ: USE OF LAJES

REF: STATE 207383

1. OCTOBER 17 PARIS HERALD TRIBUNE CARRIED ARTICLE HEADLINED "U.S. AIRLIFT IS HEAVY, CONTINUOUS" WHICH CONTAINED PASSAGE CONCERNING U.S. USE OF LAJES FOR REFUELING AIRCRAFT EN ROUTE TO ISRAEL. ARTICLE STATED "U.S. AND PORTUGUESE OFFICIALS IN LISBON DECLINED TO COMMENT ON THE REPORTS. HOWEVER, A U.S. EMBASSY SPOKESMAN IN MADRID, IN DENYING THAT THE AIRLIFT WAS GOING OVER SPAIN, INDICATED THAT IT WAS GOING THROUGH THE PORTUGUESE ISLANDS."

2. FOLLOWING TELEPHONE CALL TO MADRID, I DREW ATTENTION OF FONOFF DIRGEN FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS, FREITAS CRUZ, TO ARTICLE AND TOLD HIM I COULD CONFIRM THAT NO SUCH STATEMENT MADE BY U.S. EMBASSY MADRID SPOLESMAN. HE SAID HE HAD ALREADY SEEN ARTICLE AND ALREADY CONCLUDED, FROM PORTUGUESE EMBASSY MADRID REPORTS, THAT ARTICLE WAS IN ERROR AND THAT SPOKESMAN REFERRED TO WAS UNDOUBTEDLY SPANISH DIPLOMATIC PRESS SPOKESMAN. HE SAID SARCASTICALLY THAT THIS TYPICAL OF SPANISH WHO NEVER MISS CHANCE TO BE HELPFUL TO THEIR PORTUGUESE ALLIES.
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